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House Resolution 82

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring February 18, 2009, as Pharmacy Day at the state capitol and commending the
- 2 Georgia Pharmacy Association and its members for 134 years of service to the people of
- 3 Georgia.
- 4 WHEREAS, on Wednesday, February 18, 2009, the Georgia Pharmacy Association will be
- 5 hosting its annual Very Involved Pharmacists (VIP) Pharmacy Legislative Day at the capitol;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, many individuals working in the field of pharmacy will be at the state capitol
- 8 on that date to meet with legislators; and
- 9 WHEREAS, currently, there are more than 12,251 licensed pharmacists in the State of
- 10 Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the study and practice of pharmacy is an integral part of medicine, and
- 12 pharmacists play a vital role in the health care industry, working in areas such as community
- 13 pharmacies, hospitals, nursing homes, academia, the pharmaceutical industry, managed care,
- 14 and government; and
- WHEREAS, pharmacists play an essential role in patient treatment, ensuring that patients
- 16 achieve optimum benefit from their medication, educating physicians about specific drugs
- and possible interactions, and protecting patients by teaching them the proper use of their
- 18 medication; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Georgia pharmacists consistently provide outstanding care to their patients and
- 20 strive to promote health and prevent disease; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the Georgia Pharmacy Association was founded 134 years ago and is the
- 22 professional association representing pharmacists in all practice settings.

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23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 24 the members of this body commend the Georgia Pharmacy Association and its members for
- 25 134 years of service to patients of Georgia and recognize Wednesday, February 18, 2009, as
- 26 Pharmacy Day at the state capitol.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Pharmacy
- 29 Association for distribution among its members.